



## Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy Advanced Academy 2016 Application Form

Dear Massachusetts Victim Service Provider:

Enclosed please find the application to the Annual Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy (MVAA) - Advanced. The MVAA - Advanced is being offered **July 27, 2016 – July 29, 2016** at Endicott College. This two night/three day training is specifically designed for victim service providers with more than five years experience.

The MVAA- Advanced will run concurrently with the traditional Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy. In keeping with our MVAA model, the Advanced Academy will remain focused on the victim's experience and fostering collaborations, while addressing the unique needs and concerns of advanced career professionals. Being a Traditional MVAA Alumni is not a requirement to attend the Advanced Academy; however, alumni with more than five years' experience in the victim services field are welcome to apply.

We have worked hard to make the MVAA-Advanced exceptional in quality and affordability. The all-inclusive fee for this advanced training is \$190, which covers the cost of the comprehensive 3-day training by expert faculty, resource materials, all day and evening group activities, and room and board at Endicott College campus in Beverly. **Space is limited to 20 students so we encourage you to apply early.**

Applicants wishing to be considered for a MVAA scholarship must submit all application and scholarship materials by **March 11, 2016**. The deadline for all other applicants is **May 20, 2016**. All applicants will be notified after the deadline on the status of their application. For more information, please contact Brittney Rizo, Director of Outreach and Training at MOVA, at [Brittney.Rizo@state.ma.us](mailto:Brittney.Rizo@state.ma.us) or 617-586-1348. We hope that you will join us for this training opportunity.

Sincerely,

Liam T. Lowney  
Executive Director  
Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street, city, state, zip)

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street, city, state, zip)

Phone Numbers: (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Paid ☐ Volunteer

Length of time in field of victim services or other related work with victims/survivors: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of time in your current position: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any accommodations or assistance you require: \_\_\_\_\_

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Emergency contact: (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

MVAA Alumni (not required): ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes which year did you attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

- ☐ I will stay on campus (strongly encouraged)
- ☐ I am unable to stay on campus but would like to be considered as a commuter student and will attend each full day as expected (prior approval by MOVA's Director of Outreach and Training is required)

If requesting to be considered as a commuter student, we ask that you complete the following:

- I can commit to attending all MVAA classes (8am-6pm) ☐ Yes ☐ No
- I will be able to attend after-class activities (6pm-8pm) ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Reasons for not being able to stay on campus: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

1. Please attach a **current resume**.

2. Please attach a brief **Personal Statement** addressing the following (*1 page double spaced*):

a) Why do you want to attend the MVAA Advanced?

3. The services I provide to victims/survivors are ☐ Local ☐ Regional ☐ Statewide ☐ Federal

4. Indicate the **primary victim/survivor population** that you serve (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All/General Victim Services           | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigrants/Refugees                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assault/Robbery/Gun Violence          | <input type="checkbox"/> Operating Under the Influence (OUI)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Abuse/Exploitation              | <input type="checkbox"/> Property/Economic Crime/Fraud           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elders                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault/Exploitation             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic/Cultural/Linguistic Minorities | <input type="checkbox"/> Survivors of Homicide Victims           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Violence                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Victims and Survivors with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GLBTQ                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hate Crime                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                            |

5. How did you hear about the Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy (check all that apply):

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Co-Worker                        | <input type="checkbox"/> MVAA Alumni              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Supervisor                | <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Director          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MOVA Website and/or Social Media | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVA Victim Rights Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Listserv/Email                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____             |

6. A supervisor signature is required indicating support of the applicant's attendance for the three day training, and other related alumni activities whenever possible in the future.

Supervisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor email: \_\_\_\_\_

7. By signing below you signify your commitment **to attend the 3 day training**, if accepted. Please note that acceptance into **the MVAA Advanced Academy is not transferable to another colleague or staff member**.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your application must be received by**

**March 11, 2016** – Applicants wishing to be considered for the Cheryl Watson Memorial Scholarship

**May 20, 2016** – All Traditional and Advanced MVAA applications

**Do not send your registration fee with application.** Full fee of \$190 includes room, board, materials and special activities. While we expect all students to reside on campus during the three days of training, we understand that might not be possible for everyone. However, the Advanced Academy fee is \$190 regardless of campus residency. MOVA will review applications and notify those accepted after the appropriate application deadline. If accepted, the fee or a PV is due by **July 1, 2016** or your slot may need to be offered to others on the wait list. *A late fee will be charged for payment received after the payment deadline.*

**Cancellation Policy:** If you cancel 14 or more days prior to the training, you will be refunded 75% of the fee. If 7-13 days prior, you will be refunded 50%. No refund will be available for cancellations made with less than 7 days notice.

**Mail, e-mail or fax your completed and signed application form, INCLUDING your current resume to:**

**Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance  
In C/O MVAA  
1 Ashburton Place, Suite 1101, Boston, MA 02108  
Fax: (617) 586-1341, E-mail: [MOVA@state.ma.us](mailto:MOVA@state.ma.us)**